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Examiner : Ernesto GARCIA  
  
Docket No. : 225/49427  
Customer No. : 23911  
  
Title : GEAR SHIFT MECHANISM GATE PLATE ASSEMBLY AND METHOD  
FOR PRODUCING SAME

Commissioner for Patents  
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**NOTICE OF APPEAL**

Sir:

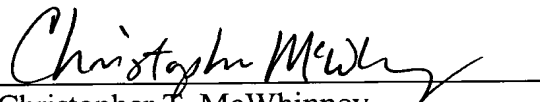
Applicant hereby appeals to the Board of Appeals from the decision mailed November 3, 2004, of the Primary Examiner Rejecting claims 1, 4, 8, 20, 24 and 25.

Applicant hereby submits the required filing fee of \$500.00 under 37 CFR 1.17 (E).

If necessary to effect a timely response, this paper would be considered as a petition for an Extension of Time sufficient to effect a timely response, and please charge any such fee or any deficiency in fees or credit any overpayment of fees to Deposit Account No. 05-1323, Docket No.: 038738.49427US.

Respectfully submitted,

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